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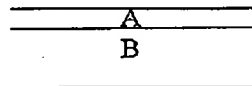
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REMARKS

Reexamination and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The arguments of the previous response are repeated.

The additives taught on pages 6-7 of Kondo were discussed in relation to what is taught in Kondo. This is different than what is claimed by the applicants. Kondo, on pages 6-7 teaches additives for his porous film. Applicants are not claiming additives for the porous film (the oil absorbing porous substrate). The claimed additives are for the film forming polymer. Kondo does not teach additives for the film forming polymer coating. This is different than to simply refer to the diagram below.



Applicant's claim a oil absorbing porous substrate (B) which has a film forming polymer coating (A). The claims recite that coating (A) has active or skin modifying additives. The Examiner relies on pages 6-7 of Kondo to teach these additives. However, Kondo uses the additives for the porous film (B) not the film forming polymer coating (A).

The limitation to the wipe being coated by the film forming polymer on one face and not coated on an opposite face is clearly supported in the application as filed. Each and every example describe this construction. Note Table 1, there is specifically a row entitled "noncoated side." The opposite side was fully coated with one of three different PVP coatings by a screen printer.

Similarly Example 10-46, and 55 are prepared identical to Examples 1-9 and have a noncoated side (i.e. face). This is the necessary as the wipe is designed to absorb facial oil. The porous film does this. If both faces of the porous film are coated with a film forming polymer the wipe will not absorb facial oil. The film forming polymer coating does not absorb facial oil.

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Page 4, lines 23-25, uses the terms face and side synonymously and describe coating one face or side of the wipe (the wipe is described on lines 17-20 as a porous film or consolidated nonwoven).

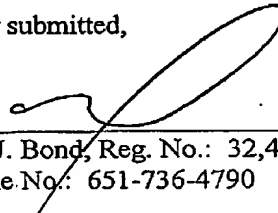
Page 17 lines 3-5 states that the film forming coating is on "one face of the wipe, generally 10 to 100 percent of one face of the wipe, preferably 50 to 100 percent." On this page at lines 10-15 the discussion states that the wipe has a polymer coated side (i.e. face) and an absorbent side (i.e., the uncoated side or face formed by the porous substrate).

The claims only require a portion of the polymer coated face of the absorbent porous substrate be coated which is clearly and unambiguously disclosed in the specification as filed, at least at page 17, line 3-5 as discussed above. The opposite face on side not being coated.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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